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Hi, how are ya?

The simple fact is that free enterprise is what made USA the great nation that it is or should I say was? Let me ask a simple question; because Midas makes mufflers does that mean that Ford cannot make mufflers?

Because Netscape makes a browser should Microsoft be disallowed? Smaller software companies have made a choice to make programs that rely on Microsoft's operating system. As far as I know there is no rule or law that says that they cannot develop their own operating system and programs to run under them.

Netscape chose to make a browser that runs under Microsoft's operating system. Why in the name of hell should that mean that Microsoft cannot include the browser that they make as a part of their operating system.

Nowhere in that effort did Microsoft in any way do anything that would prevent anybody from getting and using any browser they choose.

If the other guy wants to compete they need to "make a better whistle". If they cannot "make a better whistle" then maybe they should consider another line of work!

Microsoft has done some great things for this country and it's people, I really don't think they should be punished for it.

If you ask me the whole litigation was just done to make a bunch of nearly worthless lawyers rich at the consumer's expense. For every good thing that anybody find in what lawyers do I can guarantee there are at least 25 bad things. Their sole existence is based on the ill fate and sufferings of others. Lawyers will destroy this country.

Thank you,
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